IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Abstract on page 62 to read as follows:

ABSTRACT

A data cleaning program capable of deleting data recorded in a data recording medium so as not to be restored. Further, there is provided a data cleaning program capable of making it impossible to read unnecessary data remaining in a data recording medium. A part of an operating system [[14]] required for a cleaning operation and/or a data cleaning program [[22]] are saved into a main memory [[3]], so that the part of the operating system [[14]] and/or the program [[22]], both saved, write predetermined data over a recording area of a file specified to be cleaned. All addresses of recording areas [[14a]] of a FAT in which release code are recorded are extracted, so that clusters [[17a]] in the data area [[17]] corresponding to the extracted addresses are written over with desired dummy data.